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DALLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT 4

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DWI Taskforce

Press Conference

Dallas County Commissioner Elba Garcia, Chair of the Dallas County DWI Task Force, hosted a DWI Press Conference on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 to remind the public that Dallas County will not tolerate drinking and driving.

There is no excuse to get behind the wheel and drive impaired. “Every year, thousands of lives are lost, and even more lives are severely impacted because of irresponsible drunk drivers. DWI is 100% preventable, however, the fact that we are even talking about it only says that there is more work to be done. Imagine a world where a person does not have to cry because a loved one has been killed by a drunk driver. Although we have had to change the format of this very important event, we will not let the COVID-19 pandemic stop us from reminding the public to never drink and drive.” – Commissioner Elba Garcia.

Like our Facebook page and follow the Dallas County DWI Task Force on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/DallasDWITaskForce/>

Click the image below to view the Dallas County DWI Task Force Press Conference



The best gift this holiday season is a designated driver. Designate a non-drinking driver if your plans include alcohol. Call an Uber or a Lyft, use public transportation, or choose a non-drinking, unimpaired friend or family member to ensure everyone gets home safe.

HAPPY Thanksgiving



Irving, TX

New COVID-19 Testing Site

I am proud to announce that the City of Irving, in partnership with Parkland Health & Hospital System and Dallas County Health and Human Services has opened a new COVID-19 testing site at Parkland’s Irving Health Center (1800 N. Britain Road.)

COVID-19 cases in Irving have surpassed 10,000 making Irving one of the hardest-hit cities in Dallas County.

Hours for the new site will be Monday – Friday, 7:30AM – 4:00PM. To receive testing, patients must live or work in Dallas County and show verification of address or government ID, or be a first responder, DART driver, or healthcare worker.

Road & Bridge 4

To show support to our local communities and citizens in need, our Road and Bridge 4 team donated to the Ledbetter Eagle Ford Community Food Pantry.

I want to commend my Road and Bridge staff for their generosity as they were able to raise approximately \$400 through employee contributions to purchase and donate canned goods to help struggling families in the communities we serve. The employee contributions would normally be used for a Thanksgiving lunch but instead the team used these funds to support a greater cause.

I want to thank our Road and Bridge 4 team for their hard work and efforts, and sympathy for the Dallas County citizens who are in dire need of support during these tough times we are in. I am proud to have such a kind and generous group of men working for our District.



Bachman Lake & Love Field Area Planning

The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is leading a transportation and land use study of the Bachman Lake/Northwest Highway area. NCTCOG has identified potential focus areas for this ongoing project which include:

- Safety for walking and bicycling
- Access to parks and trails
- Changes to DART Buses and trains
- Access to Love Field
- Other transportation projects

Help craft a vision for better transportation access and recreational opportunities in Northwest Dallas. Tell us about your transportation needs in the Bachman/Love Field area by taking a [community survey](#).

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The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) is leading a transportation and land use study of the Bachman Lake/Northwest Highway area, in collaboration with the City of Dallas and coordinating with the National Park Service (NPS) on the Love Field Loop Trail project.

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Love Field Loop Trail Project

The National Park Service (NPS) is assisting the City of Dallas as they create a concept plan for the Love Field Loop Trail, which will identify a route around airport property, local neighborhoods, and public parks to connect residents to destinations and recreational services.

Get Involved

Tell us about your transportation needs in the Bachman/Love Field area: [community survey](#)
Help us develop our public engagement ideas and reach the community: [public engagement feedback form](#)

For more information, visit: www.NCTCOG.org/BachmanArea

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Flu Shot Myths

- **MYTH 1:** You can get the flu from the flu shot.
FACT: The flu shot cannot give you the flu because the virus is not alive. Some people may experience side effects, such as mild soreness or muscle aches, which can be confused with symptoms of the flu. Don't worry. You're not sick. It's just your body reacting to the shot.
- **MYTH 2:** I got a flu shot last year, so I don't need one this year.
FACT: This is false. Unlike some vaccines, the flu shot must be given every year to be effective.
- **MYTH 3:** I never get the flu, so I don't need the vaccine.
FACT: Avoiding the flu in the past does not mean you will not get the flu in the future. Every year a new flu season puts you at risk. You can also have the flu and give it to others by not getting the vaccine.